

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Amend the title as follows:

**DRUG FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING ~~ARTERIOSCLEROSIS~~
ATHEROSCLEROSIS**

Page 1, after the Title, please insert the following paragraph:

This application is a National Stage application of PCT/JP2005/000733, filed January 14, 2005, which claims priority from Japanese patent application JP 2004-009383, filed January 16, 2005. The entire contents of each of the aforementioned applications are incorporated herein by reference.